

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez (CA-47), member of the bicameral, bipartisan Joint Economic Committee, today issued the following statement regarding news that the economy slightly grew in August by adding 67,000 private sector jobs.

“Today, we learned some positive economic news - sixty-seven thousand private sector jobs were added to the U.S. economy in August. While we still have a long way to go, this is a positive sign that our economy is moving in the right direction.

“I have already taken many steps to improve the economic situation for Orange County families. The American Reinvestment and Recovery Act invested over \$400 million dollars in my district in things like critical infrastructure projects, housing assistance, small businesses and investments in education funding that kept many of our teachers employed. The Recovery Act also brought tax relief to 95% of Americans.

“And while the continued unemployment rate is sobering, my colleagues and I in Congress are taking the necessary steps to make sure those who continue to look for work can receive unemployment benefits, which we recently extended through November.”